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Gentlemen,

The purpose of this letter is to express my support for the settlement proposed by the Justice Department regarding the Microsoft case.

I would like to congratulate the principal architects of this settlement. Excellent work. It is my opinion that the settlement strikes a difficult balance. I believe it will force Microsoft to rethink its culture towards a more "Live and Let Live" approach towards competitors. I don't believe it is the government place to pick winners. Consumers do a much better job.

As a personal computer user for the past twenty years I have personally reaped many benefits over the evolution of PC operating systems. Programs that used to cost \$40-200 dollars each (disk optimizers, disk defragmenters, color management, scanning software, etc...) are now much improved and free. For that I don't think Microsoft needs to be punished. Much more needs to be integrated into the operating system to make them more useful and secure. I hope Microsoft continues to add features without raising prices.

I do understand Microsoft's competitors complaints, and there is merit to some of their complains. I believe the behavioral remedies proposed by the DOJ are quite appropriate.

Keep up the good work.

Best regards

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